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RESPONSE TO NOTIFICATION OF INSUFFICIENT FEES

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Sir:

In response to the Notification of Insufficient Fees dated April 19, 2006 (copy attached), Applicants believe that no additional claim fees in the amount of \$360.00 is necessary. See the Preliminary Amendment filed with the application on June 16, 2006 wherein the claims have been amended to remove the multiple dependencies.

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If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to our Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under § 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

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Respectfully submitted,

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Notification of Insufficient Fees (DO/EO/US)

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The following items have been submitted by the applicant or the IB to the United States Patent and Trademark Office as a Designated / Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495).

- Copy of the International Application filed on 06/16/2005
- English Translation of the IA filed on 06/16/2005
- Copy of the International Search Report filed on 06/16/2005
- Preliminary Amendments filed on 06/16/2005
- Information Disclosure Statements filed on 06/16/2005
- Oath or Declaration filed on 06/16/2005
- Request for Immediate Examination filed on 06/16/2005
- U.S. Basic National Fees filed on 06/16/2005
- Assignment filed on 06/16/2005
- Priority Documents filed on 06/16/2005
- Specification filed on 06/16/2005
- Claims filed on 06/16/2005



The following items MUST be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

 Additional claim fees of \$360 as a non-small entity, including any required multiple dependent claim fee, are required. Applicant must submit the additional claim fees or cancel the additional claims for which fees are due.

SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:

Total additional fees required for this application is \$360 for a Large Entity:

Total additional claim fee(s) for this application is \$ 360

• \$360 for multiple dependent claim surchare.

ALL OF THE ITEMS SET FORTH ABOVE MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN TWO (2) MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR BY 32 MONTHS FROM THE PRIORITY DATE FOR THE APPLICATION, WHICHEVER IS LATER. FAILURE TO PROPERLY RESPOND WILL RESULT IN ABANDONMENT.

The time period set above may be extended by filing a petition and fee for extension of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Applicant is reminded that any communications to the United States Patent and Trademark Office must be mailed to the address given in the heading and include the U.S. application no. shown above (37 CFR 1.5)

A copy of this notice **MUST** be returned with the response.

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